THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP

Board of Directors

SPECIAL BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP #3

July 27, 2012

MINUTES

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF HARRIS & MONTGOMERY §

The Board of Directors of The Woodlands Township met in special session, open to the public, on July 27, 2012, posted to begin at 8:00 a.m. The meeting was held in a meeting room at the office of The Woodlands Township, Board Chambers, 2801 Technology Forest Boulevard, The Woodlands, Texas, within the boundaries of The Woodlands Township.

Don Norrell

Chairman:

Jeff Long

Bruce Tough <u>President/General Manager:</u>

Vice Chairman:

Peggy Hausman <u>Staff/Advisors:</u>

Alan Benson
Secretary: Mary Connell
Ed Robb Karen Dempsey

Treasurer: Karen Dempsey
Taunya Jacques
Miles McKinney

Gordy Bunch

John Powers

Monique Sharp

Directors:

Bret Strong

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1. Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairman Tough led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and Texas State flag.

2. <u>Call meeting to order;</u>

Board of Directors Special Board Budget Workshop #3 July 27, 2012 Chairman Tough called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m. and declared that notice of this meeting was posted 72 hours in advance at the Courthouse of Montgomery and Harris Counties and inside the boundaries of The Woodlands Township at the office building located at 2801 Technology Forest Boulevard, The Woodlands, Texas.

The roll was then called of the duly elected members of the Board with all members present. As there was a quorum of members present, the Board proceeded to conduct business regarding the following matters.

3. Receive, consider and act upon adoption of the meeting agenda;

Motion by: Peggy Hausman moved to adopt the agenda as presented.

Second by: Mike Bass

Motion passed unanimously.

Directors	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Tough, Bruce (Chairman	х		
Hausman, Peggy (Vice Chairman)	х		
Robb, Ed (Secretary)	x		
Bunch, Gordy (Treasurer)	х		
Bass, Mike(Director)	х		
Blair, Nelda Luce (Director)	x		
Long, Jeff (Director)	x		

4. Recognize public officials;

No public officials were recognized.

5. Public Comment;

The following individual provided public comment:

Claude Hunter-commented about ownership of small cul-de-sacs and security concerns

6. Receive and consider the 2013 Operating Budget and Five-Year Plan for The Woodlands Township and;

Chairman Tough called on Monique Sharp, Assistant General Manager of Finance & Administration for The Woodlands Township, to begin the presentations with a review and discussion of the items listed below:

- <u>Community Relations</u> (Monique Sharp)
- <u>Convention & Visitors Bureau</u> (Monique Sharp)
 <u>Budget Initiatives:</u>

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- > CVB funding sources and allocations (Monique Sharp)
- Special events (CVB and Parks) (Nick Wolda and John Powers)
- > Indian Springs Village Association Request: Museum (Nick Wolda)
- <u>Transportation</u> (Monique Sharp)

Budget Planning Initiatives:

- Expand Trolley Service (Monique Sharp-ops) (William Pham-IT cap)
- General Government/Other (Don Norrell)

Budget Planning Initiatives:

- > Lease of Township owned parking garage (Don Norrell)
- Assume engineering and construction management functions from the developer (John Powers)
- > Evaluation of legal counsel options (Don Norrell)
- > Strategic partner events/functions (Monique Sharp)
- Woodlands Census/population reports (Monique Sharp)
- > Alden Bridge Village Association Request: various comments (Monique Sharp)
- Items considered but not included in budget:

<u>Capital</u> (John Powers)

- Resident Request: Wedgewood fountain (John Powers)
- Resident Request: Pathway-Research Forest to The Woodlands H.S. (John Powers)
- Resident Request: Community Gardens (John Powers)
- Projects submitted by Parks Dept. (John Powers)

Personnel (Susan Welbes)

- Review and discuss Debt Management Plan
- Review and discuss Economic Development Zone (EDZ) (Monique Sharp)
 - Payoff of EDZ debt)Don Norrell)
- Review and discuss Five-Year Plan (Don Norrell/Monique Sharp)
 - Operating reserve (Monique Sharp)
 - > Economic development reserve (Monique Sharp)
 - > Leveling the tax rate

Board discussion followed the presentations.

Note: Peggy Hausman left the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

7. Adjourn

Motion by: Ed Robb moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Second by: Gordy Bunch

Motion passed unanimously.

Directors	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Tough, Bruce (Chairman)	х		
Hausman, Peggy (Vice Chairman)	absent		
Robb, Ed (Secretary)	х		
Bunch, Gordy (Treasurer)	х		
Bass, Mike (Director)	х		
Blair, Nelda Luce (Director)	х		
Long, Jeff (Director)	х		



Ed Robb

Secretary, Board of Directors